

Claims

What is claimed is:

1. A support apparatus comprising:
 2. a first member having a first portion and a second portion;
 3. a second member having a first portion and a second portion;
 4. the first portions of the first and second members being spaced apart;
 5. and
 6. the second portions of the first and second members being interconnected.
1. 2. The support apparatus as defined in claim 1 wherein some of the second portions of the first member overlap some of the second portions of the second member.
1. 3. The support apparatus as defined in claim 1 wherein the first portions of each member include a span and the second portions of each member include a rib.
1. 4. The support apparatus as defined in claim 1 wherein the first member is a ribbed member in a first orientation and the second member is a ribbed member, identical to the first ribbed member, attached to the first ribbed member in a second orientation inverted from the first orientation.
1. 5. A support apparatus comprising:
 2. a first ribbed member in a first orientation; and
 3. a second ribbed member, identical to the first ribbed member and attached to the first ribbed member in a second orientation inverted from the first orientation.

- 1 6. The support apparatus as defined in claim 5 wherein portions of the first
2 ribbed member overlap portions of the second ribbed member.
- 1 7. The support apparatus as defined in claim 6 wherein the first and second
2 ribbed members are attached at a position wherein the overlap occurs.
- 1 8. A computer comprising:
 - 2 a chassis; and
 - 3 a support member mounted in the chassis, the support member
 - 4 including:
 - 5 a first member having a first portion and a second portion;
 - 6 a second member having a first portion and a second portion;
 - 7 the first portions of the first and second members being spaced
 - 8 apart; and
 - 9 the second portions of the first and second members being
 - 10 interconnected.
- 1 9. The computer as defined in claim 8 wherein some of the second portions of
2 the first member overlap some of the second portions of the second member.
- 1 10. The computer as defined in claim 8 wherein the first portions of each member
2 include a span and the second portions of each member include a rib.
- 1 11. The computer as defined in claim 8 wherein the first member is a ribbed
2 member in a first orientation and the second member is a ribbed member,
3 identical to the first ribbed member, attached to the first ribbed member in a
4 second orientation inverted from the first orientation.

- 1 12. An information handling system comprising:
 - 2 a chassis;
 - 3 a microprocessor mounted in the chassis;
 - 4 a storage coupled to the microprocessor; and
 - 5 a support member mounted in the chassis, the support member
 - 6 including:
 - 7 a first member having a first portion and a second portion;
 - 8 a second member having a first portion and a second portion;
 - 9 the first portions of the first and second members being spaced
 - 10 apart; and
 - 11 the second portions of the first and second members being
 - 12 interconnected.
- 1 13. The system as defined in claim 12 wherein some of the second portions of
- 2 the first member overlap some of the second portions of the second member.
- 1 14. The system as defined in claim 12 wherein the first portions of each member
- 2 include a span and the second portions of each member include a rib.
- 1 15. The system as defined in claim 12 wherein the first member is a ribbed
- 2 member in a first orientation and the second member is a ribbed member,
- 3 identical to the first ribbed member, attached to the first ribbed member in a
- 4 second orientation inverted from the first orientation.
- 1 16. The system as defined in claim 13 wherein the first and second members are
- 2 attached at a position wherein the overlap occurs.

- 1 17. The system as defined in claim 12 wherein the support member is secured
- 2 between a pair of opposed surfaces in the chassis.
- 1 18. The system as defined in claim 12 wherein the first and second members
- 2 each include a flange.
- 1 19. The system as defined in claim 18 wherein each flange is attached to the
- 2 chassis.
- 1 20. A method of reinforcing a computer chassis comprising:
 - 2 providing a first ribbed member in a first orientation;
 - 3 providing a second ribbed member, identical to the first ribbed
 - 4 member, in a second orientation inverted from the first orientation;
 - 5 attaching the first ribbed member to the second ribbed member; and
 - 6 securing the attached ribbed members in the computer chassis.
- 1 21. The method as defined in claim 20 wherein the attached ribbed members are
- 2 secured between a pair of opposed surfaces in the computer chassis.